Ms. Judith Espinosa, Secretary  
New Mexico Environment Department  
P. O. Box 26110  
Santa Fe, NM 87502

Dear Ms. Espinosa:

On August 23 through August 27, 1993, the U. S. Department of Labor Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) conducted an inspection of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant underground facility. This inspection was performed by MSHA Inspector L. R. Haynes.

No violations of 30 CFR Part 57 were found.

For your information, the following inspection information is enclosed:

1. Inspection Information Sheet  
2. Pre-Inspection Conference Work Sheet and Attendance  
3. Close-Out Conference Work Sheet and Attendance

If you have any questions concerning this information, please contact B. Lilly at (505) 887-8136.

Sincerely,

Arlen Hunt, Manager  
WIPP Project Site Office

Enclosures (3)
J. Espinosa

cc w/enclosures:
C & C File
P. McCasland, NMED

cc w/o enclosures:
L. Lilly, WPSO
S. Warren, WTAC
D. Mercer, WPIO
P. Wells, DOE-EM
J. Schinkle, ALO-SPD
INSPECTION INFORMATION

EVENT NO. ---
Id No. WIPP

Inspection Date(s) 8/23-27/93

Operation Address: WIPP P. O. Box 3090
Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Type of Inspection & No. R-4-93

Telephone No. 505/887-8100

Purpose if code 37:

Travel Area E

Contractor Id:

Company Name: WIPP Corp.

City: Carlsbad

Directions to operation: 30 Miles east on Hwy. 62/180 to WIPP turnoff sign.

County: Eddy

State: New Mexico

Mine Name:

No. of employees: 528

Work schedule: Hrs/Sh 8, Sh/Day 7, Days/Wk 5

Operating official: Arlen Hunt, Project Manager

Inspection Party:

Company: Doug Ripley - Jack Gilbert - Jim Elliot

Union: N/A

Miners Representative: None

Telephone no. of union local (person to contact): N/A

Home telephone no. -

MSHA: Lead inspector L. R. HAYNES

Others None

Other personnel: None

Type and Number of Actions This Inspections

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8. Attending for Operator (names and positions) 
- See below

9. Attending for Miners' Representative (names and positions) 
- See below

10. Inspector/District Manager Comments 
- Met in Plma Conf. Room / Main Office Building
- Intent to conduct regular inspection of the entire facility with the exception of office spaces. New Policy -- determine compliance only, without recommendations and suggestions, etc. Recent fatal accident in Potash Basin. Requested that inspection party size be kept to a minimum -- okay. Made arrangements for shift/hoist inspections to coincide with schedules and for one swing shift inspection.

Pre-Inspection attendance: 

11. Citation/Orders Discussed at Conference 
- All citations/orders discussed.

12. Results 
- A. Number of Citations/Orders
- B. Number of S&S
- C. Number Identified for Special Asmt. Review
- D1) Number Changed
- D2) Number Vacated
- E. Modification Issued to Change:
  - Number of Gravity Changes
  - Number of Negligence Changes
  - Number of S&S Changed
  - Number of Special Asmt. Status Changed
There were no notices issued during R-4-93. I complimented managers and Safety Supervisors on their efforts to maintain compliance and asked that this be passed on to all employees. Exhorted group to preserve the level of Safety Awareness and Compliance "Plus".

CLOSED-OUT ATTENDANCE: Fred Ashford, WID Mine Mgr. / Linda Calderon, ES&H-IS / Harry Bibby, M-OPS /
Jim Elliot, W-MOPS / Jack Gilbert, DOE-OPS / Doug Ripley, UC-Safety / Bruce Lilly, DOE /

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